



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE – Art Unit 1636**

Attorney Docket No. 54569.8009.US01

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: WILUSZ, Jeffrey *et al.*

APPLICATION No.: 09/955,462

FILED: September 18, 2001

FOR: **COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR  
REPRODUCING AND MODULATING MAMMALIAN  
MESSENGER RNA DECAPPING**

EXAMINER: Lambertson, David

ART UNIT: 1636

CONF No.: 7730

**Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 11, 2003 and in further response to the telephonic interview with the Examiner conducted on December 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.

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